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Saturday evening.

My Dear Debora,

I did not know till I had your letter that it was quite so long a time since I wrote to you or I should have written, but as I did not know but you might come to day I thought it best to wait to hear. By looking at my journal, I find that I have not written to you since the 26th of last month. I will therefore give you a very extemporaneous list of what has happened since that time. On the 27th Pa came in town & staid till the next day. In the evening Hildreth came again & passed the evening also Dr Farnsworth & Henry & Maria. Hildreth & Maria had quite a talk about matters & things in which poor Hildreth evinced I regret to say a great want of principle on several important points. I discovered that he was up for a few days on what business I could not discover. He enquired about you & we had a good time. On the 27 I went petitioning through Hayward Pl and got 8 or 10 names & was told by a Mrs Bailey that she hoped that all the young Ladies who interested themselves in this matter would get what she supposed they were after namely nigger husbands. 28 Dr Farnsworth called this morning & I went petitioning. On Sunday 30 I went in the evening to Dr Follen's Installation at Dr Channing's church Messrs Young, Parkman, Walker & Ripley performed the services Mr Walker did pretty well. He is going to New York (by he I mean ~~Dr~~ Follen) to take Wm Ware's place for 6 months. On Monday I went to Roxbury to see Sarah Ann. In the evening I went to the monthly concert. It was quite interesting because Henry Stanton had been down at Portland to the meeting of the State Society. They had had quite a mob which the Abolitionists succeeded in putting down. On the 2d of Nov went a petitioning in South Street & had a very tough time. Mrs S. A. Rich nearly killed me. Mrs Child came to our house to tea & as it was rather rainy staid the night. On the 3d. we (that is Henry & Maria Ann Chapman, Caroline & I) all went to Miss Jackson's wedding party. Every thing was very elegant indeed. The room crowded with all the South end gentility & a sprinkling of Abolitionists. Ellis Gray was there & Mrs Child. the bride looked sweetly. I never saw one look prettier. She looked as if she had just

Henry wants to know if you know any thing about a Mr Storo else. He recommends him to you as a fine young man.

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stepped out of one of the old pictures. Francis was very polite to us. Maria looked very well. She wore her pink silk & her hair dressed very prettily. I wore my silk, with my sleeves rolled up & long gloves. Mr Merriam seems a fine young man. Friday 4th a letter came directed to the Misses Weston & Mrs Chapman, though I believe on the whole it was written vice versa from Brother Weld recommending a sister from Pittsburgh to the friendship of all who were friends of the cause. She is a Mrs Newcomb. 5th Mrs Smith of Hingham spent the day here. In the course of the forenoon Maria Ann & I called on Mrs Newcomb whom we found sick abed with the rheumatism. She is a fluent sincere person, quite fond of Bro Weld. At night your letter came & we were very glad to hear. Sunday 6 Warren went out to Weymouth & brought in Ma & little Henry whom Pa had carried out when he was in. 7. In the evening Caroline & I went to Maria's & there met Mr May & Garrison. Bro May never seemed so dear before. He appears to be getting on finely at *Scituate*. 8th I went petitioning through Essex, Lincoln & South street. Mrs Tarbell & Mercy Sayles called while I was out. Ma went out of town in the afternoon. 9. Sarah Ann spent the day here. Bro Fuller called with his chaise & *white* *horse* & offered to take any of us to Providence but we thought it best to decline to go. On the 10th had a letter from Hervey who was very well & appeared to be comfortable. On Sunday 13th Mary Ann & I, in the afternoon went to Trinity & heard Rector Watson who preached a very good sermon. After we came from church Caroline told me that she met Miss Paul at the Free Church who invited us to come over to Belknap Street school house to hear Lewis Tappan who was going to address the coloured Sunday school. Lewis, by the way had arrived in town the day before & called at Maria's. Lewis' address was of the right sort. It was very thorough. Not so much about slavery as about prejudice. Roger Williams followed him. A number of the Abolitionists were present, Amasa Walker among the rest. A meeting of the "friends of the slave" was called by the indefatigable Lewis in the evening. He had a very full meeting. 46 was thronged so that it would not accommodate the people who were there. People were obliged to stand. Mr Tappan I perfectly admired. He is delightful. But I dont wonder he was mobbed. The wonder is that he has not been mobbed a dozen times. He is *genuine grit*. I was no more struck with him than every body who heard him. Henry admired him & Mary Ann admired him. He continued to raise $600 for the benefit of the Mass Society, he giving $100 himself. He has an earnest desire to see the debts of the Mass Society paid off. The worst of it was that it was so warm there that I took a very great *cold* or rather quite a bad one which brought back my cough & something of the pain in my side, but as I have been very careful ever since I am getting better. My cough still hangs on, but as I am convinced that it is wholly a lung difficulty I know better what to do. On the next day Lewis returned to N. York taking Garrison with him. All the agents were to be collected in N. York & *Weld* was to address them. How bad we felt, I need not tell you to think we could not bear it. The agents are to have the fullest instructions & great things are expected. They had a fine time at Providence as you will see. On Monday last I called at Channing Place & there heard a fact that you will be grieved indeed to hear. They have given up all hope of poor Ann Terry's recovery. Ann Chapman does not expect her to live more than a few weeks longer. She seems entirely debilitated, no constitution, nothing to build on. Dr Jackson gives them no hopes. Mrs Chapman is still very delicate. The same day I called on Melania & find she is going to be married the middle of next month. Parker has had a call to Cambridgeport. They are going to board. She is going to be admitted to Mr Ide's church the 1st Sunday in Dec. So goes the world Ann Terry, dying and Melania marrying. Did I write to you that Ann Grew sent us a card when she married?

The meeting Wed was to see about getting people to go about petitioning. I have been all through Ward 10 & have got 108 names. All the wards have been provided for so the city will be thoroughly done. Mrs Merriam has taken a ward which as she is a bride is to her glory. The city has been divided in the same manner among the men. Very smart for the old *Massatoosooste*. E. G. Loring has taken one ward & Sam Sewall another. Dr Channing has headed the petition and John Quincy Adams has headed another. Report these two facts. Also in the course of my walks Mrs Rufus Choate gave me her name & gave it too just as I have written it. Mrs Rufus. Mrs Fifield was in town on Wed. and staid the night with us. I feel very sorry to hear that you cannot have more than a week but I shall try to come down to N. B & stay a few days with you. I want to see you for I have a good deal to say to you. I have had an offer to go to N. York as a private teac in Robert Sedgwick's family. Board given & $3,00 per annum but I do not know yet what I shall do, so you must not say any thing about it in N. B. I shall be at Weymouth ~~in~~ waiting for yo very eagerly. I suppose we shall all be out to Thanksgiving. Tell Mr Emerson that you shall not return till a week from Monday & then you will have 2 Sundays. Give much love to the Bents & Emersons & to Abby Osgood. I should really be glad to see her. Susan Cowing has been staying with us the past week. She went back to day. Mary Ann has heard from the Dr who has arrived at St Louis. Sophia is well & doing well. Mrs Baily is confined & has another son. To day Maria had a letter a newspaper from George Thompson. His glory increases each day. It is late & I must leave off. Love to Charlotte

ever yrs Anne

Caroline says Bring Scott's works.

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